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In response to the Official Action dated August 4, 2006, reconsideration is respectfully requested in view of the amendments and/or remarks as indicated below:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of the claims which begins on page 5 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.